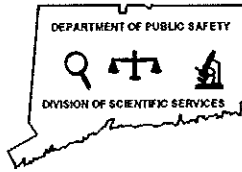




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SB 153 AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATIVE PER SE VIOLATIONS AND PROCEDURES

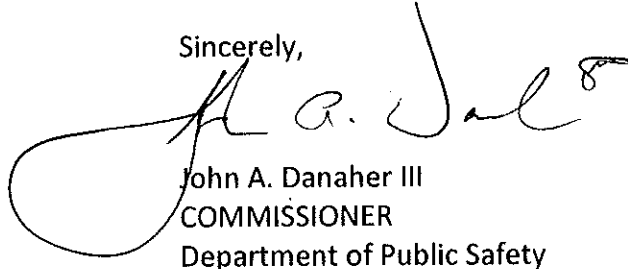
The Department of Public Safety supports this bill.

This bill would modify language regarding procedures associated with the per se license suspension program with respect to individuals arrested for DUI. The proposed language also creates a more efficient chemical testing procedure, which will reduce the amount of time required for the processing of individuals arrested for DUI.

The language also clarifies and incorporates the "elevated blood alcohol content" for operators of commercial vehicles, which will be of significance in both the prosecution and per se phases of such cases.

In summary, the proposed bill will make both procedural and substantive improvements to existing law regarding the enforcement and prosecution of driving under the influence violations and will enhance public safety.

Sincerely,



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